August 31, 2016



Classroom Procedures

**Teachers**: Fourth grade is departmentalized. The students will stay with their homeroom teacher till after lunch and then switch classes. Your child will have the following teacher for the particular subject areas.

* **Mrs. Erica Shepherd**- English Language Arts and Social Studies
* **Mrs. Vickie Nagin**- Math and Science

**Tuesday Folder:** The Tuesday folder will be sent home with your child every Tuesday. This will include test papers for the week, your child’s conduct sheet for the week, and important school notes and information. Please sign and return these papers by Wednesday morning. **If the papers are not in class by at least Thursday, a mark will show on their conduct sheet.**

**Homework:**  Homework is given nightly and will be checked the next morning. If a student fails to complete their homework or bring it to class at the expected time he/she will sign the conduct book. Students who complete all weekly homework will receive a Bella bill, and students who complete all homework for the nine weeks will attend the Bella Bash. **ELA and Social Studies only**- The homework grade begins at a 100. For each homework assignment that is not completed, 5 points will be deducted from the homework grade.

**Grading Scale:**

Our grading scale is as follows:

93-100 A

92-85 B

84-75 C

74-67 D

66-0 F

**Enrichment Schedule:**

\*All enrichments are from 2:25-3:05

**Monday:** Life Skills

**Tuesday:** P.E.

**Wednesday:** Library

**Thursday:** Art/ Music

**Friday:** Stem/Computer

**Tuesday**- Kidbiz 8:30-9:10

**Every Day:** Lunch 11:00

Recess

**Birthdays**

Please feel free to contact us in order to bring in a treat for your child’s birthday to share with the class. If you bring in a treat, please be sure there is enough for each student and that the treat is brought in before 11AM. Mrs. Shepherd’s homeroom is 22 and Mrs. Nagin’s homeroom is 20.

**Supplies**

If at any point in the school year your child runs out of supplies (i.e. crayons, notebooks, markers, etc.) please replace these supplies as soon as possible as we use these items on a regular basis.

**Scholastic Book Club**

Students will be bringing home book order forms. If you would like to take advantage of these offers, please make checks payable directly to Scholastic Book Club or send cash in an envelope. You can also place an order online using the Scholastic Book Club website using the class code **DWXCL**.

Occasionally, we will get forms from companies such as Highlights. Even if you do not want to order, please fill them out and check “Not Interested” box. Classrooms receive prizes just for returning the slips to the company.

**Remind**  Remind is a great way to stay current with what’s going on in your child’s classroom and with their teacher. Please sign up to join our class group via text. Please text @bcp4 to 81010

**Mrs. Shepherd’s Webpage**

Please visit my webpage for daily homework, vocabulary words, grammar skills, and more at <http://shepherdsshiningstars.wikispaces.com> or you can access the page via the <http://bcps.ppsb.org> webpage

**Things You Can Do At Home to Make a Difference:**

* Read with your child every single night.
* Check your child’s student planner for homework assignments each night.
* Provide a quiet place for your child to complete his/her homework.
* Check over your child’s homework once he/she is finished.
* Ask your child how his/her day was.
* Give your child a hug every day!

It is an honor for us to have the opportunity to teach your child! Fourth grade is such an exciting year, and the children are very eager to learn. We look forward to working with each and every one of them. **Together, we can make this an enjoyable and memorable school year for your child!**

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